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In re the Application of

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For: POSITION INDICATION DEVICE AND INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 24 as follows:

24. (Amended) A computer-usable information storage medium used in a game system that comprises:

the position indication device as defined by claim 1;

game processing means that receives information from the position indication device and performs game processing based on the detected indicated position; and

image generation means that generates a game image in accordance with the game processing performed by the game processing means,

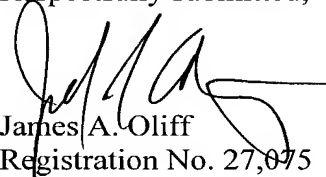
wherein the information storage medium comprises a program for implementing the above means on a computer.

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 24 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claim 24 is amended to remove multiple dependencies. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

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Attached: Appendix
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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim:

24. (Amended) A computer-usable information storage medium used in a game system that comprises:

the position indication device as defined by claim 1 ~~any one of claims 1 to 23~~;

game processing means that receives information from the position indication device and performs game processing based on the detected indicated position; and

image generation means that generates a game image in accordance with the game processing performed by the game processing means,

wherein the information storage medium comprises a program for implementing the above means on a computer.